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Dear Majority Leader Reid and Minority Leader McConnell:

We write to strongly support the Reid-McConnell Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010. Passing this legislation will be an important step towards stabilizing our economy and revitalizing sustainable growth. *ITI will score any votes related to final passage of this legislation in our 111th Congress High-Tech Voting Guide*.

The high-tech industry firmly believes that enacting these important business tax provisions will spur capital investment and help create certainty in our economy. For example, the research and development tax credit along with the other business provisions will return significant results in job creation, investment in our own economy, increased global competitiveness, and innovative technologies that lead to a better quality of life. Enacting these pro-investment provisions should be a priority while our country continues towards economic recovery.

The high-tech industry appreciates your leadership on this tax relief package and urges swift passage by the U.S. Senate. We cannot afford to lose the pro-growth effects of these important tax provisions.

Sincerely,

Dean Garfield President & CEO

Cc: Members of U.S. Senate